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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 30 September 2002, time for response to which was set to expire 30 October 2002. A petition for an extension of time for one month, until 30 November 2002, accompanies this response. Accordingly, this response is considered timely filed. A restriction/election to any one of the species/groups in claim 34 was required. Applicants have considered the present restriction/election and respond as follows.

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